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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6992 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 4, 2011

BILL NUMBER: HB 1422 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Notice to Parent, Guardian, or Custodian.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Davisson

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires a law enforcement agency that is actively involved in investigating a report of child abuse or neglect or a crime in which a child has been named in the written report of the crime as the perpetrator, victim, or witness, to: (1) make a reasonable attempt to notify the parent, guardian, or custodian of the child about the report; and (2) send a copy of the victim rights statutes to the parent, custodian, or guardian of the child; unless the parent, guardian, or custodian is the alleged perpetrator. The bill requires that, after the Department of Child Services (DCS) receives a report from a law enforcement agency that a child may be a victim of child abuse or neglect, the DCS contact the law enforcement agency to confirm that the DCS received the report.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill will minimally increase the workload of the Department of Child Services to report to law enforcement agencies if they have received a report of child abuse or neglect. The requirements of the bill can be accomplished within the routine work of the agency.

This bill will not increase the workload of the Indiana State Police (ISP), as ISP currently provides the notifications required in the bill as well as a copy of the victim rights laws.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill will increase the workload of local law enforcement agencies to provide notifications required in the bill. Increases in workload are expected to be minimal and within the scope of local law enforcement duties.

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Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: DCS, ISP.

Local Agencies Affected: Local law enforcement agencies.

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